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FOR DR. BRZEZINSKI

FOLLOWING REPEAT VIENNA 8236 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 9/12/77.

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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR ISSUE

REF: (A) STATE 205596, (B) VIENNA 7832

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AUTHORIZATION FROM DEPUTY TO UNDER SECRETARY, NYE, I CALLED ON DIRECTOR GENERAL EKLUND AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL HALL AT NOON SEPTEMBER 12 TO INFORM THEM IN CONFIDENCE OF POTENTIAL REQUIREMENT ON SHORT NOTICE FOR IAEA PRESENCE AT VALINDABA PILOT ENRICHMENT PLANT.

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2. AFTER STRESSING THAT IAEA COULD ONLY UNDERTAKE SUCH ASSIGNMENT FOLLOWING SPECIFIC INVITATION FROM SAG, DR. EKLUND REMINDED ME THAT AT REQUEST DR. ROUX IAEA HAD ALREADY HELD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH SAG WITH REGARD TO SAFEGUARDING OF LARGE ENRICHMENT PLANT. DISCUSSIONS WERE PRESENTLY IN ABEYANCE, HOWEVER,

AWAITING SOUTH AFRICAN INDICATION OF PRECISE SIZE OF PLANT. DR. EKLUND SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS DECISION WAS IN TURN DEPENDENT ON U.S. ASSURANCES REGARDING FUEL SUPPLY.

3. IN ANSWER TO HIS QUESTION REGARDING FURTHER DISSEMINATION WITHIN AGENCY, I AGREED THAT HE MIGHT TAKE DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL ROMETSCH INTO HIS CONFIDENCE IN ORDER UNDERTAKE CONTINGENCY PLANNING BUT WAS GIVEN ASSURANCE THAT KNOWLEDGE OF MY APPROACH WOULD BE STRICTLY CONFINED TO THOSE THREE INDIVIDUALS, NAMELY EKLUND, HALL AND ROMETSCH.

4. IT WAS CLEAR FROM MY DISCUSSION THAT DR. EKLUND PREPARED FOR IAEA PLAY ROLE WE DESIRED PROVIDED HE RECEIVES CLEAR-CUT INVITATION FROM SAG. STONE UNQUOTE VANCE

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